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and reach this office not later than Thursday
of each week.

The names of contributors must invariably
accompany all correspondence, not necessarily
for publication but as a guarantee of good faith.

One Summer Day.
The sunshine chasing the bees about,
Said o'er the grass in its velvet green,
Where I lay watching the day grow ripe
And the shades of noon o'er the hillside lean,
My eyes were brimming with happy tears,
The book of my life all open lay;
Not even a shadow marred the scene—
The perfect bliss of that summer day.

The wind moaned low in the whispering pines,
Over my heart the twilight crept,
The wild flowers wearily drooped their heads,
On earth's great bosom the shadows slept,
The bird songs ceased, the bees flew home,
The sunlight faded to weary gray;
Who would have dreamed such an end could
come
To the green and gold of that summer day!
—E. Burke Collins.

Count Tolstoi is one of the latest
bicycle devotees.

Miss Beatrice Harraden is delighted
with California. She is beginning
work upon a new book.

Jean Ingelow is seventy-four years
old and lives very quietly at Kensing-
ton. She now very rarely puts any-
thing in print.

The Knighthood conferred upon Sir
Lewis Morris, on Queen Victoria's last
birthday, is variously interpreted.
Some argue that he is to be made
Laureate, others say that there will be
no more laureates.

Some twenty years ago a prominent
merchant in Philadelphia left word at
the office of the *Evening Item* that a
reporter be sent around to the store to
"write up" his millinery opening. A
young lady who was employed on the
paper was accordingly given the job.
Coming into the store she inquired of
one of the salesmen for the proprietor,
stating that she had been sent there
by the editor of the *Item*. The young
man, after having found his employer,
said to him:

"Mr. —, did you not send around
to the *Item* for a reporter?"
"I did, replied Mr. —. "What of
it?"

"Blest if he hasn't sent a woman!"
said the young fellow.

"Well, I reckon editor — knows
his business," said the merchant as he
proceeded to find the young woman.

The above incident was told me not
two weeks ago by the lady herself.
We laughed a great deal over it. But
then, you know, it happened twenty
years ago, when there were few women
in Philadelphia who followed journal-
ism as a means of support. To-day a
woman can go anywhere with her pen-
cil and note book and nothing is
thought of it. Indeed, it is surpris-
ing, when one comes to think, how
many women there are who are earn-
ing a living in the field of journalism.
A weekly publication recently started
in Philadelphia, *The Ladies' Every
Saturday*, has a long list of contribut-
ing editors—all ladies—and the edi-
torials every week are written by
women. Of course, this is only one
example out of the hundreds.

Not only in journalism, but in law,
medicine, pedagogy, theology—in fact,
it is difficult to name a trade, an art,
or a science in which women are not
taking an active part.

Everywhere are women holding re-
sponsible positions of business and
trust.

There are said to be 536 lady physi-
cians practicing medicine in the cities
of the United States.

Hundreds are employed as teachers
and professors.

sized an incident of the recent com-
mencement of Hartford Theological
Seminary:

"Think of a woman taking one of the
prizes in a school of theological edu-
cation! Shades of the fathers! And
that, too, at Hartford! But then that
is not all. Think of a woman appear-
ing among the graduates on a com-
mencement platform and delivering an
address! And yet that actually oc-
curred at Hartford. It must not be
inferred from our exclamations that it
gives us any anxiety; it seems very
natural and proper. But it is a sur-
prise to find that Hartford has taken
the lead in providing theological train-
ing for women. Not only do we find
a woman among those who took prizes
and delivered an address on com-
mencement day, but we find that an
alumni delivered an address at the
alumni dinner. When, in addition to
this, we observe the long list of dis-
tinguished and eminently conservative
theologians who were present, the
wonder increases."

But listen! After just having read
of the rapid advancement of women
in the world of business, letters, and
art—of all her glorious opportunities,
some one comes along whispering
something about "a woman's sphere."
If there is any one phrase in the Eng-
lish language that is more disgusting
to me than another it is that desisti-
ble "woman's sphere." Pray tell what
is her "sphere?" Surely, it is that
place which she can most intelligently
and credibly fill. So what mat-
ters it, whether she pilot a boat or
sweep a kitchen; whether she plead a
law suit or bake a cake?

Do you know that there really are
school districts where directors are
prejudiced against women teachers?
Happily, though, this is now almost a
thing of the past, for in some districts
the board of directors count women
among their numbers. Some one has
said: "He only would keep woman
back who fears her rivalry."

DELIA ANN'S WEDDIN'.
BY ANNIE HAMILTON DONNELL.

O set down, set down, Mis' Simms!
Settin' cheap as standin' an' you
ain't visited with me for along spell.
You don't mind if I keep on a-suddin'
out these clothes? I got to get 'em
out and make apple sass before the
men-folks come in. I always calc'late
to make up a big mess o' sass to one
time. It keeps indefinite in winter—
jest's long's anything will keep in this
house. Men-folks is dreadful big eaters,
specially the hired hands. You oughter
be real thankful you ain't got no hired
hands to do for, Mis' Simms."

Mrs. Simeon Lukes wrung out a
soapsy shirt with a good deal of zeal
and a fine display of muscle in her
strong, red arms. Her caller sank
down limply and creaked back and
forth in the rocking chair. The steam
from the tubs blurred her
spectacles and she took them off and
wiped them on a corner of her shawl.
She was a woman of few words, but
her hostess' pause seemed to demand
some conversational effort on her
part.

"Any news, Mis' Lukes?" she in-
quired sociably.

"No, I do know's there is, not to
say news. The parson's wife's got a
terrible cold in her head. She took a
sweet last night an' I ain't heard how
she is to-day. Sweats is great things
for them kinds o' colds. Simeon
broke one all up a spell ago."

The wringer creaked and the rock-
ing chair creaked. A scorched smell
pervaded the moist atmosphere. Mrs.
Lukes sniffed several times and then
hurried over to the kettle of meat on
the stove.

"It's a-goin' to storm. This kittle's
biled dry once before. Lucky I
smelled it. Pork meat don't stand
much scorchin'." That makes me think,
—the Peterses killed their hog yester-
day. Simeon was over; he says
'twas a terrible lean critter."

"How's Mis' Peters now?" Le's see,
ain't she some relation to them New-
mans that live on the old Smith place?"
interposed the caller.

"Yes, she is, but it's a great way off.
She ain't a mite like 'em. I s'pose
you've heard about Delia Ann New-
man's weddin', ain't you?" Mrs. Lukes
tasted the meat slowly. There was a
queer expression on her face, but it
was doubtful whether it was due to
the meat or the wedding.

"No," Mrs. Simms said regretfully.
"I ain't but jest got home from visitin'
John's folks. This is the first time
I've rid over this way since I come
home. Was it much of a weddin'? I
ain't any acquainted with the New-
mans myself."

Mrs. Lukes grunted.

while the clothes lay in the bluin'. I
wouldn't give much for clothes that
are jest flapped in an' out o' the rinse-
water."

She got a pan of apples and sat
heavily down opposite the creaking
rocker.

"You prob'ly know them New-
mans is a terrible good feelin' family?
Much's ever they can come down out
the clouds long enough to pass time
o'day civilly when they meet up with
the rest of us common folks. They
walk straight out of the meetin' Sun-
days. Don't shake hands with nobody
at all. The Sunday just before Delia
Ann's weddin' she warn't to meetin'.
I was afraid she might be sick an'
'twould be real unfortunate jest that
time. So I stopped Mis' Newman an'
asked after Delia Ann. Says I,
'Delia Ann ain't sick, be she, Mis'
Newman?' An' you oughter seen her
look 'prised at me an' say, kinder dis-
gusted, 'Delia is very well, thank you.
Of course she stayed away from
meetin' to-day.' I s'pose likely it's
the style to stay to home that Sunday
an' git ready to walk bride the next.
But Delia Ann ain't walked bride
yet!"

Mrs. Lukes gave an unmistakable
chuckle. Some of the apple parings
curled down over her lap to the floor
and she stooped to get them.

"L' me pick 'em up, Mis' Lukes,"
the caller said. "I ain't as stout as
you be an' I can bend easier. You go
on with the weddin'."

"Wall—put 'em right in here, please—
—the weddin' was fixed for Sat'day
of three weeks ago come next Sat'day.
Much as ever we found out the day.
There warn't nobody in the neighbor-
hood invited, not even Mis' Peters,
an' she a relative on his side. I did
think they'd ask her, but they didn't.
Some stuck-up folks from town was in-
vited out, quite a lot of 'em. They was
dreadful close about gettin' ready, but
the Abbotses live real near, you
know, an' they can see most every-
thing goin' on from their east room
window. Louisy Abbot, she kep'
pry close round of things. She see
'em makin' terrible preparation. She
went over once to see if one o' their
hens hadn't got mixed with the New-
mans' an' she couldn't help seein' the
cookin' that was goin' on. It was
great, I tell you, Mis' Simms! Louisy
says there was lots o' new-fangled
lookin' things. There warn't so much
of it, you see, but 'twas terrible fine."

"I didn't s'pose they was 'specially
well off," Mrs. Simms interposed.

"That's jest it, they ain't. That's
why the come-out of it kinder pleased
me. They ain't well off at all. Simeon
says they ain't got a cent laid up, an'
it's a wonder how they live along. But
they've got to make jest so much show
an' pretendin', of course! They ain't
a family anywheres about that puts on
anything like style. Delia Ann's the
first one of the girls to get married, so
I s'pose they thought the weddin' 'd
got to be extry stylish. Do you
know?"

Mrs. Lukes lowered her voice im-
pressively and leaned over the apple-
pan. The big knife came perilously
near Mrs. Simms' expectant face.

"Do you know, they sold off, or
killed off, every livin' breathin' critter
on the place, so's to get money and
vittles for that weddin'!"

"No! I don't say so!" ejaculated
the listener feebly.

"Mis' Simms, Simeon knows it for a
fact! It come as straight as H. An'
what's more, they traded off all the
other projuce too, the apples, an'
potatoes, an' all—every blessed thing
that they warn't goin' to cook up for
the weddin' breakfast. They had to,
it's likely, to get the money for Delia
Ann's dress an' veil an' fixin's."

"She didn't have a veil!"

"A veil? She had a terrible fine one?
She had everything! There was real
lace too—and there was—orange
blossoms!"

"No! not orange blossoms, Mis'
Lukes!"

"An' the weddin' breakfast was in
six courses."

Mrs. Simms stopped rocking.

"I s'pose you recollect that first
driftn' storm we had, about that time,
Mis' Simms? It come on terrible
sudden. Louisy Abbot says they was
jest a-standin' up in front of the
parson when it began to snow. She
could see 'em quite plain. The break-
fast came after that and it took 'em
a long spell to eat it; it was most noon
when they began."

"Well, it snowed like everything an'
was all drifted in when the folks was
ready to go back home. Some of 'em
did go, but Louisy says as many as
eight or ten staid."

"Not over Sunday, Mis' Lukes? You
don't say t' they staid over Sunday?"
Mrs. Simms stood up in her excite-
ment.

"They staid over Sunday, every
mother's son an' daughter of 'em,"
Mrs. Lukes said calmly.

"Here they got the pies 'n bread over
they. Mis' Peters, she sent 'em in
some vegetables, an' the Abbotses give
'em a churnin' o' butter, and milk an'

the other neighbors give 'em a little
here 'n a little there. They pulled
through all right. There was a
little of the weddin' breakfast left
over for supper. But, Susan Simms,
that was every livin' thing there was
in that house to eat, not to say a little
pickled stuff an' dry meal an' things."

"How'd the neighbors come to send
in the vittles?"

Mrs. Lukes dropped her knife and
laughed in undulating enjoyment.

"Delia Ann went round and asked
'em to," she said. "Nobody else was
willin' to, in the family, I s'pose, and
I guess it jest about killed her. It was
quite a chore, seein' they'd left us all
out o' the weddin'!"

Mrs. Lukes laughed on, but her
visitor sank back in the rocking chair
in a state of collapse. There was a
little season of silence broken only by
the ticking of the knife against the
edge of the pan.

Then Mrs. Simms rose feebly. "I
guess I better be goin'," she said.

THE HANDSOMEST OAK.
IT BEARS ITS PROUD AND BEAUTIFUL
CROWN OF LEAVES IN SOUTH
CAROLINA.

What, so far as we can judge from
our observations, is the most massive,
symmetrical and imposing tree in
Eastern North America is a live oak,
Quercus Virginiana, standing on one
side of the entrance to Drayton Manor
House, on Ashley river, near Charles-
ton, South Carolina. The home of the
Drayton family, a handsome red brick
Elizabethan mansion, was built while
South Carolina was a British colony,
and it is said that the site of the
house was selected on account of this
tree, although, as the live oak grows
very rapidly, it is not impossible that
it was planted with its mate on the
other side of the drive when the house
was first built. At the present time
the short trunk girths 23 feet 4 inches
at the smallest place between the
ground and the branches, which spread
123 feet in one direction and 119 feet
in the other. This tree is growing
over a bed of phosphate, and the de-
mands of trade will, therefore, prob-
ably cause its destruction before its
time. More than once we have visited
this tree, and each visit has increased
our reverence for nature, as we stood
in the presence of this wonderful ex-
pression of her power. No one who
has not seen the Drayton oak can form
a true idea of the majestic beauty of
the live oak, the most beautiful of the
fifty species of oak which grow within
the borders of the United States, or
of all that nature in a supreme effort
at tree-growing can produce.—*Garden
and Forest.*

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JURORS SELECTED TO SERVE ONE WEEK OF
CRIMINAL COURT AND ONE WEEK OF
COMMON PLEAS COURT.

GRAND JURY, OCTOBER 7.
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William G. Wright, Norristown.
Henry G. Kulp, Pottstown.
Thos. Eagan, West Conshohocken.
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John H. Money, Abington.
Malcolm Bean, Franconia.
John W. Poley, Limerick.
Isaac Shankop, " "
John Johns, Lower Gwynedd.
Herbert E. Schofield, Lower Merion.
Isaac Heston, " "
Jesse B. Matlack, " "
William Missimer, L. Providence.
George H. Andrews, Norriton.
George Garrett, " "
George Wolfe, Plymouth.
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George W. Aiman, Upper Dublin.
Chauncey Jones, Upper Merion.
Wm. A. Kulp, Upper Providence.
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Howard Morris, Whitmarsh.

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Frederick Light, Sr., Conshohocken.
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Frank W. Weber, Greenlane.
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Benjamin C. Wismer, Skippack.
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Rex Keisel, Upper Dublin.
Henderson Supplee, Upper Merion.
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TRAVERSE JURY—OCTOBER 14.
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Daniel M. Roeder, East Greenville.
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William J. Keeney, Jenkintown.
William Doan, Jr., Lansdale.
Asher Earp, Norristown.
John H. Tyson, " "
William Richardson, " "
Eugene Hallman, " "
William Bann, " "
Lafayette Ross, " "
Harry B. Tyson, " "
John Schrack, " "
Howard Swallow, " "
Morris M. Finley, " "
Jacob Craner, " "
John H. Sloan, " "
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Allen Wells, " "
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Jacob Loper, Cheltenham.
Abner Richard, Douglass.
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Franklin K. Saylor, " "
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Charles D. Loch, Upper Gwynedd.
Robert Jackson, Upper Hanover.
Isaac C. Kratz, Upper Providence.
Thomas H. Ramsey, Whitmarsh.
Grant Stackhouse, Whitpain.
John Heist, Worcester.

RICH IN FIVE YEARS.
WHAT ONE MAN ACHIEVED BY FRUIT
GROWING IN THE NORTHWEST.

Several years ago a man by the
name of Simmons settled on a ranch
on Eureka flat. He struggled along
trying to raise grain for a number of
years, and managed to get further in
debt every year. The idea finally
struck him that fruit-raising was far
better than raising grain, so he moved
with his family to a small flat on the
Snake river, about twenty miles above
its mouth. Here he collected enough
lumber to erect a very small house and
build a water wheel. He managed to
irrigate about twenty acres of land
and raised such vegetables as he could
haul to Walla Walla and sell. With
the money gathered from this source
he purchased fruit trees and vines and
set them out where they would receive
the benefit of the water. He bought
enough grape roots to plant a space
about 50x100 feet, and sold over 200
boxes of grapes last year. He sent
one bunch to the World's Fair that
weighed 12½ pounds. From a peach
tree planted 3 years he picked 23
peaches that weighed 27 pounds, and
3 of those peaches would fill a gallon
measure. These fruits have taken the
world's prize at Chicago, and thor-
oughly demonstrate what can be done
in this section of the country. This
immediate locality can be made to ac-
complish the same results as that
Snake river farm. We are even more
favorably located than the Snake
river district, and, consequently, bet-
ter adapted to raising just such fruit
as is raised on Snake river.

Five years ago Mr. Simmons moved
off his Eureka flat farm to his Snake
river claim. He was over \$1,500 in
debt. To-day he is entirely out of
debt and has money to loan. What
more inducements can people ask to
get into the fruit business? There is
no laborious work about it. Fruit and
vegetable raising has an elevating ten-
dency, and is an honorable and, in this
country, a lucrative business. Those
who are struggling along in the al-
leged great farming country under
debts that are making them and their
families stoop-shouldered, should cut
loose and come to Kennewick and
start in the fruit, hop or vegetable in-
dustry. Economy and industry will
soon get a man out of debt and gain
for him a competency that will satisfy

the most fastidious. Come to the hub
and take a ride on the wheel of for-
tune. This is not a wheel that has
ninety-nine chances against you; you
have ninety-nine chances to win and
only one to lose.—*Kennewick Colum-
bian.*

DR. GIBIER ON CANCER.
CLAIMS THAT HIS TREATMENT HAS CURED
CASES AFTER SURGICAL OPERATIONS
HAVE FAILED.

Some attention has been attracted
by a paper recently read before the
Academie des Sciences of Paris, in
which Dr. Paul Gibier, of the Pasteur
Institute, this city, gave some results
of his treatment of cancer by the se-
ro-therapeutic method. Dr. Gibier, who
has just returned to this country,
talked last evening about his discov-
ery to a *Sun*-reporter. He said:
"In the study of infectious diseases
and their treatment by the methods
of Pasteur my attention was naturally
drawn to cancer. I began my experi-
ments in the se-ro-therapeutic method
of treating cancers and tumors several
years ago, and in 1893 communicated
some of my ideas to the Academie
des Sciences. The treatment has since
been administered by eminent French
physicians, and while in Paris re-
cently I saw several persons who had
been cured by this method after surgi-
cal operations had proved unsuc-
cessful.

"Cancer is caused by a parasite, and
so should yield to the same method of
treatment that has proved successful
in dealing with other diseases of the
same class. At the same time there
are many kinds of cancer

That's right, Brother Woodmansee, of the Lansdale Reporter, have an opinion in relation to the racket of the combines, and express it. By the way, just enquire of your neighbor Heebner where he stands? If he won't tell you, perhaps the Republican will, since that paper seems to be so well advised.

A new corporation, with a capital of \$30,000,000, has been formed in Philadelphia for the purpose of consolidating and controlling the three traction companies now operating the street railways of that city. This means decreased expenditures and increased earnings for the railway interests of the Quaker city; it may also mean an increased tax upon the traveling public.

The five members of the Legislature from this county have issued over their signatures a rather emphatic pronouncement in behalf of Governor Hastings and Mr. Gilkeson. The gentlemen were persuaded to this present their position in a formal manner to the public in consideration of a question submitted by the Norristown Herald. If their declaration is not in keeping with the present Republican sentiment of this county, then a great many of the Republican brethren have of late changed their minds. That's all.

Mr. GULDIN, of Pottstown, should have a little consideration for Senator Saylor's sensitive nervous organization. Because the Senator downed Mr. Guldin to obtain a Senatorship, it ought not to follow, necessarily, that the Senator should be handicapped now in his efforts primarily in behalf of another Senator of a more heroic mould, and finally in behalf of himself. Certainly, Mr. Guldin's attitude is typical of the retaliatory methods of American politics, but why worry the Pottstown Senator so much during dog days?

And the ringing rocks still ring!

We again take occasion to gratuitously advise our Republican readers to act consistently with themselves in the part they take in the present factional contest. Those who believe that Sir Quay is a model leader and that he should succeed Mr. Gilkeson as Chairman of the State Committee, should vote their opinions at the primaries. Those who are dissatisfied with the political machinations of the old leaders, who believe that Quay is an unbearable boss and that the time has come to reconstruct the Republican machine and to employ new attendants and overseers, should vote their notions at the primaries.

ANOTHER Indian war is threatened. Under their treaty rights with the general government the Bannock Indians are permitted to hunt game on the government lands, but part of their hunting grounds are within the State of Wyoming, and the game laws of that State impose limitations upon the right to hunt which are in conflict with the treaty rights of the Indians. The Bannocks hunted game upon government lands within the State of Wyoming, and they were arrested for violating the game laws of that State. When the Indian comes in conflict with the pioneer of the West he is always at a disadvantage, and some of the Indians were killed on their way to jail, the excuse being given that they had attempted to escape. The killing of the Indians naturally inflamed the members of their tribe, and the white settlers in the exposed region are likely to be expected to the vengeance of the red men who can't understand why they should be arrested for doing what Uncle Sam authorized them to do.

OVER in Bucks county, Monday, a convention of Republicans elected delegates by a vote of 146 to 10 to support Messrs. Hastings and Gilkeson at the State Convention at Harrisburg. This result indicates that Mr. Gilkeson has a strong hold upon the Republican machinery of Bucks county, and encourages the Norristown Herald to anticipate a similar climax to the Gilkeson-Quay issue in Montgomery. The majority in favor of Mr. Gilkeson in this county will hardly be as massive as in Bucks, unless J. B. Holland, Esq., of Conshohocken, and Senator Saylor of Pottstown, should ere the Convention meets undergo a politico-revivalistic change and enlist under the banner of the new combine; and this can hardly be expected, particularly of the former gentleman, who is not in the habit of retreating from a position when once fully assumed. As to Senator Saylor, whose political aspirations tower as high as the hopes of some of the citizens of Pottstown, with regard to a city charter, we are not sure that his present devotion to Sir Quay may not be changed to supplications at the Hastings-Gilkeson throne. If the gray matter of his brain, by a process of unusual complexity, evolves the idea that he ought to step in Cameron's Senatorial shoes, a season of mental perplexity and doubt may follow—to be succeeded by a change of heart in favor of Gilkeson.

In Clearfield county, this State, tub-washed wool is selling for about 22 cents per pound, or 8 cents per pound more than was realized for the same grade of wool in 1890, when a tariff tax was levied upon wool from abroad. And what has become of that "free wool" scarecrow?

WASHINGTON LETTER.

From Our Regular Correspondent.
WASHINGTON, D. C., July 26, 1895.—Government officials as a rule are of the opinion that Comptroller Bowler has the authority to stop the payment of appropriations made by Congress whenever he decides the law under which the appropriation is made to be unconstitutional, and that there is no appeal from his decision, except through the courts. All this and more has come out through the general discussion which has followed the announcement of Comptroller Bowler, that he had doubts of the constitutionality of the sugar bounty act, and would on August seventh hear arguments from those interested in the last session of Congress. At first there was a general outcry against such a Czar-like assumption of power which few believed the Comptroller to have. The two Louisiana Senators and Representative Meyer came to protest and to get Secretary Carlisle to squelch the Comptroller, and were somewhat staggered when informed by Mr. Carlisle that he believed the Comptroller had all the authority claimed by him, and that neither the Secretary of the Treasury nor the President had any authority over his acts or the right to review them. These things set people to hunting among old government records, and it was soon discovered that the Comptroller had for a long period of years been the creation of the office exercised without question the right to pass upon the constitutionality of acts of Congress carrying appropriations, and the fact that Mr. Madison wanted the first Comptroller appointed for life, so as to make him independent, is cited to prove that it was the original intention to make the Comptroller a check upon Congress. These discoveries are not popular, and a movement to strip the Comptroller of power which should only belong to the courts may be expected at the next session of Congress. It is learned from good republican sources that ex-President Harrison is out for a re-nomination, notwithstanding all statements to the contrary. Letters from his political manager, Col. John C. New, have been seen that leave no doubt of the existence of an organized effort to get the nomination for Mr. Harrison, backed by such experienced politicians as Senator "Steve" Elkins, of W. Va., ex-Senator Camden, of N. J., and Spooner, of Wis., and "Long" Jones, of Ill. Senator Blackburn was in Washington this week, but the most that any newspaper man could get him to say was "come and take something" or "what will you have?" It has been learned from other sources that he came to Washington to see about that reported intention of the administration to remove all Federal officials appointed on the recommendation of silver democrats. Senator Blackburn has quite a number of appointments to his credit, and, according to my informant, he has defied the administration to remove one of them previous to the Kentucky election. Uncle Sam may have a little summer scrap on his hands, if the threatened war between Ecuador and Colombia materializes. Under treaty with the latter country the United States has the right to maintain free communication on the Panama railroad, across the isthmus, if Colombia fails to do so, and the New York officers of the Panama railroad have appealed to this government to protect their property, which they say is in danger on account of the labor troubles on the isthmus, regardless of how the threatened invasion of Colombia by Ecuador shall turn out. Secretary Herbert has ordered a vessel to Panama to look out for and protect American interests.

The average memory is short. When Olney made public his intention to try to reform the U. S. consular service and to have consuls selected because of their fitness for the position, and not their political "pull," few people remembered that a determined effort in that direction was made thirty-odd years ago by Secretary Seward, and that the greediness of the politicians for patronage caused its failure. Such is the fact, shown by the records of the State department. Secretary Seward's idea was to educate the men to be appointed consuls in the work they were to do. After getting the necessary Congressional legislation he appointed ten bright young men consular clerks, assigning each of them to duty in the office of an important consulate. Before his retirement from office he had the satisfaction of seeing his young men full-fledged United States Consuls. He thought the reform would be continued, but it wasn't. Congress repealed the law providing for consular training, and the politicians never stopped until the last one of those trained consuls was turned out of office to make room for a man with a political "pull." May Secretary Olney be more successful in his attempt to reform the service.

This Was in Chicago.

From the New York Press.
A wheelman's fall was given in Chicago the other day, at which the women dancers in bloomers and knickerbockers. The men who usually stop on the trail of a woman's dress in the ballroom recognized the new departure by falling over her feet.

A Wasp's Sting Causes Death.

PATTERSON, N. J., July 29.—Henry Smith, aged 72, a retired painter, living in the village of Haledon, near here, was stung to death by a wasp last night. Mr. Smith was crossing the lawn adjoining his house toward a windmill, which he intended to stop, when a wasp stung him on the left hand. He suffered severely from the pain, and called out to his nephew as to what he would do for relief. The young man told him to apply a handful of wet earth. Smith did so, and started back towards the house, holding the mud to his injured hand. As he reached the house he tottered and fell into the arms of his nephew. Before medical aid reached the house, Smith expired. Dr. S. Y. Kinne, of the city, who was called, says the wasp penetrated a nerve that communicates with the brain and caused death.

A Transition Age.

From the Cincinnati Tribune.
There is one hindering element in the situation as it stands to-day. Electrical science has made such rapid strides in the last decade that the inventions of yesterday are "has-beens" to-day. Millions may be spent for motors this year. A year hence they will be looked upon as antiquated and almost worthless. For this reason railroad men will go slow.

A Very Old Wire Rope.

While conducting a series of tests with a 100 ton testing machine at the Yorkshire College in England, which included the testing of a steel wire rope, Prof. Goodman stated that such ropes were not a modern invention, and that he had recently seen a bronze wire rope one and a half inch in diameter and from 20 to 30 feet long which had been found buried in the ruins of Pompeii and which must have been at least 1,900 years old.

A Financial Fact.

From the Detroit Free Press.
The people in this country who are constantly decrying our currency system and proclaiming the approach of national ruin unless some radical changes be made, are only deterring financial investors who would otherwise bring their millions to the United States. Assistant Secretary Curtis reports a vast amount of capital there awaiting investment and only the fear which some of our people have created is keeping it at home.

Dakota's Wheat Crop Damaged.

DULUTH, Minn., July 27.—Nearly every grain receiver at Duluth has received dispatches from Dakota reporting great damage to wheat by smut. The reports were to the effect that the crop had been over-estimated in the first place and that it had deteriorated during July, especially since the cold weather set in, so that it is now not believed that the crop of the three Northwestern States will exceed 100,000,000 bushels, whereas 150,000,000 bushels has been the lowest estimate heretofore.

Sugar Bounty Claims.

The sugar bounty claims now pending before Comptroller Bowler, of the Treasury Department, are about one hundred and forty in number, but they amount to \$5,000,000. The bounty subsidy is one of the few remaining features of the McKinley bill, imposed at the time when sugar was attached to the free list, and to make the original \$10,000,000 paid to the planters possible the Federal treasury was compelled to lose nearly \$4,000,000 of revenue. The loss of this revenue has been the cause of infinite trouble, and Secretary Carlisle proposes to contest every future demand from the planters, even though the Senators from Louisiana claim that the refusal of payment means the financial ruin of thousands in that State.

Corn is King.

From the New York World.
In 1891 we raised the greatest corn crop ever grown, but we are going to render it insignificant this year. In 1891 corn covered 76,204,000 acres and yielded an average of 27 bushels to the acre. This year the corn fields amount to 72,305,000 acres, or 6,100,000 more than in 1891, and all reports indicate a larger yield per acre than in that year. But at the same average yield the crop will amount to 2,222,208,000—two billion two hundred and twenty-eight million two hundred and eighty thousand bushels. Corn is worth about 50 cents a bushel and not only in the markets, but in the feeding of hogs. This crop will therefore add \$111,104,000 to the country's wealth. Think of it! More than a billion dollars of actual wealth produced in a single year in the shape of a single crop. Who doubts the prosperity of the great Republic?

Shipbuilding for the Year.

The Bureau of Navigation has received preliminary returns showing that 682 steam and sailing vessels of 132,719 gross tons were built and documented in the United States during the last fiscal year, compared with 775 steam sailing vessels of 121,547 tons during 1894, an increase of 11,000 tons. Final and revised returns will somewhat increase the figures by the addition of barges, etc. Steam vessels numbered 289, of 75,738 gross tons; sailing vessels, 393, of 56,990 tons, a decrease of 8,000 tons sail and increase of 19,000 tons sail compared with 1894. The notable additions of the year to the merchant fleet are the steamers St. Louis, Northland and Newport News. Among the notable American marine disasters of the year are the recent foundering of the steamship Colima; the loss of the steamship Keweenaw, reported missing with thirty-one lives on the Pacific; the stranding of the steamships Cienfuegos and Ozama, and the loss of the steamship Chicora on Lake Michigan.

Reading's New Engine.

The Reading Railroad Company is experimenting with a new style of locomotive, which, if it comes up to the expectations of the builders, will revolutionize the building of locomotives. The engine is a compound one, with driving wheels seven feet high. It was built by the Baldwin Locomotive Works from designs of their chief engineer, and is something of a curiosity. On the new engine the big, heavy, double sets of driving wheels are replaced by two single wheels, one on each side, eighty-four inches in diameter, being six inches higher than the largest ones in use by the Reading. These huge "drivers" are placed almost directly under the centre of the locomotive, and the coach-like looking "trailers" wheels have given way to a single set of forty-two inch "trailers," while the front portion of the engine rests upon two pairs of thirty-inch truck wheels. The upper portion of the engine is similar to those now in use, except that the sand dome is in the rear of the cab. The old engine cost about \$9,000 each, while the new ones can be manufactured for considerably less. The new locomotive is painted blue and gold, to harmonize with the coach-like Royal Blue Line. It was placed in service July 3, and made its first run to Bound Brook two days later, when it made seventy miles an hour without being forced. It was placed in commission last week and is now on the regular run from Twenty-fourth and Chestnut streets to Jersey City. The fact that the new engine is much lighter than the old ones, and it is only necessary to force two driving

wheels instead of four, is expected to prove the new locomotive faster than any ever built.

The Open Court of Chicago contains in No. 412 a unique and highly interesting article by its editor, Dr. Paul Carus, on Chinese Education. A brief sketch of the civilization and literature of China is given, and the Chinese language clearly explained, so that any reader can grasp its character.

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老師名斷貴習
何之俱機以相
為情揚抒專遠

The famous Chinese primer, the "Book of Three Words," is translated literally, and the opening verses of the primer printed in the original Chinese characters, which are explained by a glossary. We have reproduced these characters as a matter of interest to curious readers.

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I have also a few sets of fly straps left. A 5-bar heavy net for \$1.25, light straps, half horse, \$1.50. 3 cents for 25c.; Whole Rice, 4 lbs. for 25c. Buy a pound can of Windsor Baking Powder for 50c. and we will give you a bread knife, a carving knife and a paring knife free. Elegant New Mackerel.

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Thursday, Aug. 1, 1895.

HOME AND ABROAD.

—Delightful weather

—For picnics

—And politics!

—The farmers say the growing corn needs more rain.

—The new fence along the sidewalk between this office and the railroad, built by the carpenters of the Perkiomen railroad, is an improvement.

—The Clover Club of Allentown will picnic on Hunsicker's island, Iron-bridge, next Tuesday. A display of fireworks will be given in the evening.

—Another excursion to Lake Hopatcong Saturday, August 17. Remember, you'll want to go along this time.

—The Great Northern Steamship Company offers \$250 in gold to every baby born this season on one of its new steamers, \$500 for twins and \$1000 for triplets.

—That excellent county newspaper, the *National Defender*, began its 40th volume this week. We tender our congratulations to Bro. Evans.

—Every family in the State needs a Keystone Washing Machine; it is one of the best in the market, and you can get one on trial at Gotsch's store, Providence Square. See new ad. in this issue.

—The great trotting stallion William Penn, of Phenixville, went a mile Thursday at Detroit, Michigan, in 2:07 1/2.

—To make a newspaper picture of a man it is only necessary to know what sort of beard he wears, if any, and whether he has any hair on top of his head.—*Puck*.

—Persons interested in the weekly services at the different churches in this community should read the announcements under the head "Religious" on this page every week.

—Fry's umbrella hospital, Norristown, is just the place to get your crippled umbrella well treated. See ad.

—The game of ball at Oak View Park, Thursday, between the grocers and merchants of Norristown was the means of raising \$63.30 for Charity Hospital.

—Mrs. Lydia Carn, aged 66, a widow of Harmonville, Plymouth township, was run over by a trolley car of the Schuylkill Valley Traction Company, last week and received terrible injuries.

—George Barnes, Norristown township, while cleaning a horse was kicked over the left eye. He was rendered unconscious and it was two hours before he regained his senses.

—F. H. Deisher, of the firm of F. H. & W. H. Deisher, home-made bread bakers of Norristown, will serve customers in this locality every Monday, Wednesday and Friday.

Holy Communion.

Trinity Reformed Church, of this place, will hold its summer Holy Communion this coming Sunday morning, August 4, services commencing at 10 o'clock.

Picnic.

The members of the Highland Literary Society and their invited friends will picnic in Fush's meadow, Arcola, on the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, August 6.

Philadelphia Markets.

Winter bran, \$16.50 @ \$17.50; flour, \$2.90 to \$4.00; rye flour, \$3.60; wheat, 72 1/2 to 75 1/2; corn, 52c; oats, 31c; butter, 19c to 24c; poultry, live, 11 1/2 to 12c, dressed, 10 to 14c; timothy hay, new, 60 to 80c, mixed, 50 to 60c; straw, 55 to 60c; beef cattle, 4 to 5 1/2; sheep, 1 1/2 to 4c; lambs, 3 to 6 1/2; hogs, 3 1/2 to 4c.

RELIGIOUS.

Episcopal service at St. James' Evansburg every Sunday at 10.30 a. m., Sunday School, 2 p. m. Also a service at Norristown at 8.15 p. m. Rev. A. J. Barrow, Rector.

On and after Sunday, June 2, divine service will be held in Union Church (Wetherill corners) near Shannonsville on Sunday mornings at 10.30. In the afternoon at 3.30, in St. Paul's Memorial, near Oaks. All welcome. Benjamin J. Douglas, rector.

M. E. church, Evansburg. Come to church and bring the children. Services as follows: Sunday school, 9.30 a. m., morning service, 10.45 a. m.; Epworth League, 7.30 p. m.; Evening service, 8 p. m.; prayer and class meeting Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock.

Preaching at St. Luke's Sunday at 10 a. m. and 7.45 p. m., by the pastor, Rev. E. Clark Hissman. Sunday school at 8.45 a. m. C. E. prayer meeting at 6.45 p. m. Pews free. All invited.

Services at Augustus Lutheran church, Trappe, next Sunday at 10 a. m. All invited.

Trinity Church: Wednesday evening, the church prayer meeting, at 8 o'clock. Choir practice, Friday evening, 8 o'clock. Preparatory services, Saturday, 2.30 o'clock p. m. Sunday: at 8.45 o'clock a. m. Sunday, Sunday School, 10 o'clock. The sacrament of the Holy Communion will be administered; at 2 o'clock, the Junior C. E. prayer service, at 7 o'clock, the adult C. E. prayer service and at 8 o'clock, preaching.

\$100 REWARD. \$100.

The readers of this paper will be pleased to learn that there is at least one dreaded disease that science has been able to cure in all its stages, and that is Catarrh. Hall's Catarrh Cure is the only positive cure known to the medical fraternity. Catarrh being a constitutional disease, requires a constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure is taken internally, acting directly upon the blood and mucous surfaces of the system, thereby destroying the foundation of the disease, and giving the patient strength by building up the constitution and assisting nature in doing its work. The proprietors have so much faith in its curative powers, that they offer One Hundred Dollars for any case that it fails to cure. Send for list of testimonials. Address F. J. CHENEY & CO., Toledo, O.

Sold by J. W. Culbert, Druggist, Collegeville, Pa. 75 cents.

The Joys of Matrimony.

On Saturday, July 27, by Rev. J. T. Myers, Mr. James Keefe and Miss Irene Shaffer, both of this county, were united in matrimony.

Harvest Services.

Harvest home services will be held in the Providence Mennonite meeting house on Thursday, August 8.

Death.

Sarah Jane Pugh died at her residence in Norristown, July 25th, aged 66 years. The funeral was held Tuesday. Interment in Episcopal church cemetery, Evansburg.

A Windfall.

Edward Cardwell, living near Hatboro, this county, received word last week from his home in England that his father died leaving him an estate valued at \$5000. Young Cardwell has sailed for England.

New Bridges.

The County Commissioners ask for proposals to erect two iron bridges—one over the Perkiomen at Schwenksville, and the other over Swamp creek, in New Hanover. The bids will be received until August 21.

What Was It?

A resident of the middle ward says that something went down Broadway the other evening as far as the grade above the railroad, and then wheeled about and returned. And the middle ward citizen wants to know what it was!

Large Nut Crop Predicted.

If October does not bring an unusually large nut crop it will be because the blossoming of the trees has been a sham. The bloom was never more luxuriant, and the incipient burrs, which are already showing themselves, indicate extraordinary abundance.

A Compromise.

It is rumored that a compromise, between the Schuylkill Valley Traction Company and the Chestnut Hill Railway Company has been effected whereby the latter corporation will be permitted to resume the operation of its line through Plymouth township.

Political.

The political card of John Breen, of Lower Merion, candidate for the Republican nomination for Sheriff, will be noticed in another column. Mr. Breen is well spoken of by his neighbors and he expects to come to the Convention with a solid delegation from Lower Merion.

Alms-house Affairs.

A regular monthly meeting of the Directors of the Poor was held at the Alms-house last Thursday. Orders were granted during the month to the amount of \$2127.47. Inmates in the institution at present, 170. The products of the farm during the month amounted to 653 quarts of cream, 524 pounds of butter and 187 dozen of eggs.

Help Wanted.

The *Roystersford Tribune* in prominent headlines in its last issue makes the announcement that in October next 200 persons, mostly girls, will be wanted to fill positions in the new hosiery mills at that place, which are expected to go into operation on the first of the month named. Wages ranging from \$8 to \$12 per week, are promised.

A Straw Ride.

On Saturday evening Mr. Benj. H. Parnous, of Port Providence, conveyed a party of young folks from Mont Clare, Oaks, Port Providence, Philadelphia and Media, to Norristown. Games of all kinds were played, after which refreshments were served. At a late hour all departed for their various homes, after spending a very pleasant evening.

A Very Old Mill.

"The old stone grist mill near Custer station, S. C. R. R., was recently sold by Michael Brooke to David A. English, of Camden. This old mill site on Stony creek dates back to 1742, and during the Revolution was owned by Valentine Shearer. From 1821 to 1859 it was held by Rev. George Wack, a noted Reformed preacher, and was then known as "Wack's mill."

Delivered an Address.

A correspondent writes: "The Hon. Aaron Swartz, President Judge of the Montgomery County Court, delivered a very earnest, practical and appropriate address at the celebration of Trinity Reformed Sunday School, of Skippackville, on last Saturday, in Isaac Hallman's woods. The Judge is now and has been for years a Sunday school superintendent, and is a deeply interested worker in the good cause."

Death of Dr. F. S. Isett.

Dr. F. S. Isett died of a cancerous affection at his residence in Philadelphia on Sunday, July 28, aged 43 years. The deceased was a native of Limerick township, was a graduate of Jefferson Medical College, and for a number of years past had an extensive city practice. A widow (the daughter of the late Dr. Henry S. Jacoby, of Summerville) the father and mother—Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Isett of Limerick—and several brothers and sisters survive. Funeral services were held at the home last evening. Interment at Summerville to day.

A Horse Thief Captured.

Tuesday last week, a man stopped at a Limerick hotel and tried to trade off a horse, wagon and harness. It was surmised that the man was a thief and Constable E. B. Smith arrested him. On the way to the Squire's office at Douglassville, the thief made several attempts to get away from the officer. The team was stolen in West Reading, and the thief, whose real name is Henry Wise, is in the Reading jail awaiting trial. It is said he is an old offender, who has done time in Philadelphia and Trenton, having completed a term of imprisonment at the latter place about six weeks ago.

Knight of the Maccabees.

The State Commander writes from Lincoln, Neb., as follows: "After trying other medicines for what seemed to be a very obstinate cough in our two children we tried Dr. King's New Discovery and at the end of three days they were entirely left them. We will not be without it hereafter, as our experience proves that it cures where all other remedies fail."—Signed F. W. Stevens, State Com.—Why not try this great medicine a trial, as it is guaranteed and trial bottles are free at J. W. Culbert's Drug Store, 6

Trolley Cars Collide.

Last Thursday a rear end collision of trolley cars occurred in front of Pleasant View Hotel, below Pottstown. Three persons were painfully injured. The accident was caused by an empty car running into a loaded car, which had about 50 passengers aboard.

L. T. L. Picnic.

Last Thursday afternoon the L. T. L. of this place, chaperoned by the teachers and members of the W. C. T. U., picnicked in Zimmerman's woods. The boys and girls formed base ball nines and a battle ensued. Sad to tell, the girls were defeated by a score of 8-21. Supper was served on the grass in true picnic style, but was eaten rather hurriedly on account of the on coming rain. Altogether the crowd was a jolly one.

Lost His Life in the River.

William Shoemaker, aged about 29 years, a Philadelphia bartender, was drowned between 5 and 6 o'clock Sunday evening while bathing in the Schuylkill river a short distance above Shawmont. Shoemaker was one of a party of 16. After being in the water some time, he started to swim across the river. Knowing him to be an expert swimmer, his companions watched his progress until he reached a point about 40 yards from Shawmont shore, when they saw him throw up his hands alternately, then turn on his back and sink without a cry.

Examinations Completed.

R. F. Hoffecker, County Superintendent, has completed his annual examinations of teachers. The number of applicants for teachers' certificates was about the same as last year. There is a surplus of teachers in the county, about forty of the applicants not being able to secure positions. The increasing number of persons holding Normal School diplomas is the cause of the supply exceeding the demand. The districts which have thus far failed to adopt the graded course of study are: Upper Pottsgrove, Lower Pottsgrove, Douglass, New Hanover, Upper Hanover, Salford and Franconia.

An Economizer of Fuel.

A Roberts heater, with new features, has been placed in the residence of Mr. Joseph McNoldy, of Schwenksville, by the Roberts Machine Company of this place. Mr. Roberts incorporated a new and original system in connecting the fixtures with this heater, one that will economize fuel and maintain any desired degree of temperature in mild or severe weather. A test demonstrated all that was expected of the new contrivance in steam and hot water heating. The Company has quite a number of orders ahead for the Roberts heater and the furnishing shop will soon work overtime to meet the increased demand for boilers.

A Midsummer Magazine.

Frank R. Stockton, the author of "The Lady, or the Tiger?" contributes under the title of "Love Before Breakfast," one of the most delightful love stories to the August *Ladies' Home Journal*. The happy motif of Mr. Stockton's story is more than indicated by the charming illustrations which Mr. W. T. Smalley has provided for the text. This midsummer number which goes out to its hundreds of thousands of readers in a cover presenting Albert Lynch's famous panel of Spring, which won for him the Salon prize in 1893, is worth ten times its price of ten cents, and no woman should be without it. Published by The Curtis Publishing Company, of Philadelphia, for ten cents per number and one dollar per year.

A SERIOUS ACCIDENT.

SEVERELY INJURED BY A FALL. Mr. Nathaniel Underkoffler, residing near Stump Hall school house in Worcester township, the father of Mr. Wilson Underkoffler, of this place, met with a very painful accident Sunday morning, an accident which might have cost him his life. Mr. Underkoffler was in the act of climbing up to the mow in his barn for the purpose of throwing down hay. He had ascended the ladder as far as the overhead beam, when he slipped and he fell to the barn floor a distance of about twenty feet, where he was found in a helpless condition by Mrs. Underkoffler, who, being alone, was unable to remove her husband to the house until a neighbor, on his way to church, was called in to assist. Drs. Care and Kriebel, upon examining the injured man, ascertained that Mr. Underkoffler had sustained both a fracture and a dislocation of the left thigh bone, and a number of weeks will elapse ere he will fully recover.

PERSONAL.

Miss Mabel R. Kratz, of New Britain, visited Miss Minerva Weinberger beginning of this week. Miss Kratz is a graduate of the Philadelphia Woman's School of Design, and spent some time in sketching the picturesque scenery of this locality. Mrs. Able Fox and her daughters, Misses Ella, Lizzie, and Gertrude Fox, of Philadelphia spent Sunday in town. Miss Edith Gayner, of Norristown, visited the scribe's family last week.

Mr. Clarence Mullen, one of Philadelphia's bright young men, is whiling away the summer hours at the Alberts. Mr. Mullen has been impressed by the swiftness of our progressive village.

Mrs. Hiram Halseman, of School street is confined to her home with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Mr. A. D. Keiff and family, formerly of this place, have removed from Philadelphia to Norristown.

Mr. and Mrs. Jacob Bradford, of Honeybrook, Chester county, spent Sunday at the home of Theo. Casselberry, near Ironbridge.

Mr. J. C. Hathaway, formerly of Norristown, now engaged in a manufacturing enterprise at Atlanta, Ga., was in town Wednesday of last week.

Our old friend Mr. J. G. Gotsch, of Highlands, N. C., visited his northern relatives and acquaintances last week.

Mrs. Sowers and her brother Mr. Lu Tyndall, of Philadelphia, are staying at the Alberts.

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FROM OAKS.

We hear very little in the Quay-Hastings fight, as we don't get out much, and we are sorry 'tis so. We keep our own counsel and aim low and shoot below the waist belt.

Rev. Jacob Gotsch and Mrs. Gotsch visited Norristown to see their brother John Gotsch from Georgia, who is visiting his children in the North.

Mr. Slutterer, from the Trappe, will have charge of the Grammar School at Green Tree. The boys have already sized him up and say we are to have a good big man to teach school this time.

Pete Taylor and Bobbie Young pitched a game of quarts with the champion quait pitchers Beard and Singleton and beat them badly, completely whitewashed them. Distance, eight yards. Score, 21-0. Taylor and Young are ready to pitch any two in the county.

Mr. John McHarg, the Misses McHarg and Miss Maize and Jeannette Corson of Shannonsville called to see us Sunday.

Mr. I. R. Weikel and Mrs. Weikel attended church at Trappe on Sunday. Rev. Jacob Gotsch preached at Green Tree on Sunday. Subject, profanity. Quite a large congregation attended to hear the discourse.

Infantryman Drake and Artilleryman Baum returned from their respective camps on Saturday evening well pleased with their outing.

Our thanks to Harry Showler for his very substantial present, and to Jim Lewis for many favors.

Several of those who attended the prohibition sermon or lecture were not so well pleased with the remarks the Rev. J. C. Hogan made and the way he pitched into the Methodists. It is most generally understood the Methodist Church is the oldest temperance society in existence, and as the Reverend gentleman raked the denomination or its bishops and elders, he can well say he is a preacher without a church.

The land owners and a committee of the land syndicate met at Attorney Frank March's office at Norristown and signed an agreement, which is to show positive proof that the committee have the land for sale and that it is not a myth, but a fair and square deal. Now they have the authority to go ahead in this matter, and are not at all handicapped, and this agreement can be used to show to all or any parties who desire to invest their money in the enterprise. We might ask, would the parties interested in this matter pay over \$500 for a survey of the property just for the sake of pastime? Would Mr. Pfauts spend time and money as he has already done if he did not consider there was something in it? Mr. Pfauts is looking ahead for the success which will surely obtain and his remuneration will be an ample one, because when this enterprise is generally known prices will boom on lots and locations which will be surprising to those who have so little faith in the enterprise. Mr. Pfauts has worked hard and patiently, and we hope that success which he is aiming at will come to perfection and that it will realize all that is expected, and much more, too.

We regret to hear of the serious illness of R. A. Grover, Esq. The 'Squire' is one of our most estimable citizens, and for advice in times of trouble, or aid of any kind, is most generally consulted; and if 'Squire Grover' says so, why so we abide.

A slight runaway added to the excitement of Perkiomen on Monday evening. A young lad, living at Mr. Grover's, in his attempt to mount his horse, the horse got away from him and struck out without the rider. The horse could have easily been caught, but just at the time a hungry cur chipped in his share and frightened the horse so much that he increased his speed, leaving the lad far behind.

John Taylor's baby is sick, and Frank Brower is still confined to the house with the sprained sinew in his ankle, while Bud Nichols is slowly regaining strength. Orville Nichols is very much under the weather.

Doctor Gumbes went to Albany, N. Y., to attend the proving of the will of his father-in-law, the late Mr. Cushman.

It is reported (and we hope it is true) that the Enamel Brick Works will resume work the first of September, as they have disposed of all their bricks.

The Perkiomen Brick Company are shipping brick and the expectation is they will begin to make to supply the demand.

At The Collegeville Driving Park.

Though lowering clouds threatened rain which came toward evening the attendance at the summer race meeting at the Collegeville Driving Park, last Saturday afternoon, was good. Much interest was taken in the various races. The vocal efforts of Master Stanley, between heats, were duly appreciated. The chief attraction of the afternoon appeared to be the race between Mr. Grater's Jim Corbett and the scribe's Thomas Jefferson, both pacers. Upon two previous occasions Jim got the better of Tom and it was generally expected that the Worcester horse would win again, but the expectation was not realized. It was a hotly contested race, particularly the first, second and third quarters of each mile. In the first heat of the 3.30 race Mr. Taylor's horse plunged into Mr. Fetterolf's sulky, breaking the shafts. As a consequence Annie Rooney was withdrawn from the race.

A race, not on the program, between John Cleaver's Maud Ganger and John Robinson's Nellie K., was easily won by the latter in 3.44. Following is summary of the races:

3.30 CLASS.
M. Barndt's Jennie, 1 1 1
J. Kulp, Frank, 2 3 3
J. Fetterolf's Annie Rooney, w
Jas. Taylor, Dolly Varden, 3 2 2
Time, 3.04, 3.00 1/2, 3.02.

2.50 CLASS.
Dr. Daub's J. I. C., 1 1
C. Park's Park, 2 2
Time: 2.56 1/2, 2.57 1/2.

SPECIAL PACING RACE.
M. Grater's Jim Corbett, 2 2 2
E. S. Moser's T. Jefferson, 1 1 1
Time: 2.50, 2.44 1/2, 2.45 1/2.

The Judges were Messrs. James Morgan, William Bean, and G. W. Carmack. There will be another meeting at the Park the latter part of the present month.

FROM IRONBRIDGE.

The Sunday School at this place will hold its annual picnic in Rahn's grove, this place, on August 10. A good band will be in attendance. No suiters allowed on the ground, as the entire privilege has been sold.

J. B. Cook and family were visiting at Port Providence on Sunday.

Joseph Gottshalk has had his house repaired since last week.

A. W. Loux has moved into his new house and now has a modern home with all improvements.

G. F. Hunsicker, of Philadelphia, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Hunsicker.

The painters have finished the hotel and it now presents a fine appearance.

Mrs. Joseph M. Noble is spending a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elias Rahn.

H. T. Hunsicker has his yard full of coal and a number of persons have their winter supply.

J. E. Croll and family, M. G. Hoot and family and W. E. Keely and family, all of Philadelphia, were in town on Sunday. X X X.

FROM LIMERICK.

Mr. C. A. Wismer and family of Gratersford spent Sunday afternoon with Mr. Clement Fry and wife at Roystersford.

Dr. S. E. Daub and family visited Sautatoga Park on last Sunday.

W. B. Johnson attended the Echo Rally of the Boston Convention, at Norristown on last Tuesday evening.

Miss Laura Johnson is the guest of Miss Nora Keim, Pottstown this week.

Rev. C. W. Derr, who visited West Barrington, Mass. a few days has returned. The famous artist P. F. Rothermel of near Linfield this township who is over eighty years of age, and who is suffering from cancer is, at this writing in a very critical condition. Drs. Ashurst of the University and Heel held a consultation recently. The most celebrated painting of Mr. Rothermel's work is Gettysburg, for which he received \$25,000. It was exhibited at the Centennial in Memorial Hall, Philadelphia, and is now in the State Library at Harrisburg.

On Wednesday evening at the Lutheran parsonage, Miss Eva Livengood, formerly of Trappe, but now a resident of Spring City, was united in marriage to Mr. Henry Latshaw, clerk in the Spring City National Bank, one of Spring City's highly respected young men, and organist in the Lutheran church for some time.

An extra large gathering of people from this place and vicinity visited Sautatoga during the soldiers' encampment. Roystersford was drained on Thursday, the town was very quiet and business dull.

One of the visitors of this place was a bag-pipe musician, whose little girl accompanied him to gather the pennies.

A new hosiery mill will be erected at Roystersford by P. C. Fritz and Mr. Kramer. It will be erected on corner of Main street and First avenue.

Mrs. Lallie Pontius and son Lloyd of Roystersford visited this place on last Tuesday. Mr. Newton T. Miller and Miss Lillian T. Miller of Limerick Square, were guests of A. H. Hendricks, Esq., and wife of Pottstown last week.

After Gurney C. Fry had taken the halter of a horse prior to letting him loose in a field on last Sunday, the horse leaped a fence causing a rail to strike Mr. Fry, which threw him a distance of about ten feet. No serious damage was done, but the use of a cane is necessary for Mr. Fry's traveling.

Mrs. Kopenhafer and grandson Charlie Hale have gone to Dauphin county for some time. Mrs. Annie Hale and family visited Miss Kate Hale of Collegeville on last Thursday.

At a recent meeting of the Limerick School Board a graded course of study was adopted in this township and the following teachers were elected to teach a term of seven months at a salary of \$35: Fernwood school, Sadie Biehl; Barlow's, Susie Eppelheimer; Linfield, Rebecca Evans; Linfield primary, Mary Hipple; St. Peter's, Bertha Schlichter; Yeager's, Rachel Yeager; Missimer's, Anna Evans; Church, Elmer Ziegler; Linderman's, A. E. Wagner; Fruitville, Oliver Evans; Hersteins, Alice Yorgey; Steinmetz's, Lydia Rogers. School will open the second Monday in September.

On last Sunday morning, Rev. O. H. E. Rauch, pastor of the First Reformed church Roystersford exchanged pulpits with Rev. Frambes, pastor of the Baptist church of that place.

Master Elwood and Miss Mamie Eisenberg, children of Mr. S. Y. Eisenberg, of Limerick Square, are visiting their brothers Horace and Charlie Eisenberg of Harrisburg.

Assaulted.

Mrs. Frederick Haas Jr., of near Jeffersonville, was assaulted on Sunday morning. She was walking along Marshall street, near the borough line, on her way to a Norristown church when some one placed their hands over her eyes. Her assailant threw her to the ground and grabbed a handkerchief that was in her belt and stuffed it in her mouth. As the man was bending over her she struck him a violent blow in the face, pulled the handkerchief from her mouth and regained her feet. Missing her pocket-book she charged the villain with having it—and said she would follow him until some one would take charge him. The man became scared, returned the purse and fled toward Oak View. This was the fifth assault that has occurred near the borough line in broad daylight during the past two months, and that vicinity must be a very dangerous place for ladies traveling alone.

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WANTED. A competent Harness Maker to take a Shop free of rent, in consideration of the services to be rendered. Address Box B, Phoenixville, Pa. Sate where last employed. 5-2

NOTICE TO POULTRY RAISERS. I am selling Lambert's Disinfectant. Insect Powder, and other poultry supplies at low prices. Price: 25c, 5c, and 10c. SAMUEL ZOLLERS, Lower Providence, Pa. 6matt.

FROM GRATER'S FORD.

Quay-Hastings discussions are waxing warm and some of the discussers (or cussers) say they have money to back their talk. From the reporter's point of view, Hastings adherents are in the majority heretofore.

The roar made by the discharges of muskets in the sham battle at Sautatoga last week were very distinctly heard at the western extremity of the village, and revived stirring recollections in the breast of our veteran upon whose ears the sound fell.

H. L. Hastings, of Boston, editor of *The Christian*, preached on the "Efficacy of Prayer" in the Dunkard chapel, last Wednesday evening, to a numerous audience.

H. H. Yellis is building a strong and roomy stairway down the rocky cliff-like bank of the Perkiomen directly back of his residence, which, when completed, will give safe and easy access to a good fishing haunt that was heretofore quite difficult of approach. Primarily it is for the use of the guests of the Yellis.

The outcome of the races at Robison's Driving Park, last Saturday afternoon, has caused a change of place among the "racing" stars: Jenny, the pacer, in perdition owing to her grand achievement.

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